

## **Abstract - European Public Prosecutor's Office**

In my rigorous thesis I deal with the issue of the European Public Prosecutor's Office. This project is unique in the field of European criminal law, it is very problematic but to certain extent necessary, when the current course of the EU is taken into account. Efforts to establish the European Public Prosecutor's Office have been observed since the first half of the 1990s. It was necessary to subordinate and adapt not only the political will to the establishment of the European Public Prosecutor's Office but also the broad legislative environment and the relevant legal basis. Similarly, the path to adopt a legislative proposal was difficult. Although the European Commission presented a comprehensive legislative package regarding the protection of financial interests in 2013, demanding character of the project of the European Public Prosecutor's Office is confirmed by 4-years lasting negotiations. Finally, twenty member states of the European Union adopted the Council Regulation (EU) 2017/1939 implementing enhanced cooperation on the establishment of the European Public Prosecutor's Office in October 2017.

The main goal of my rigorous thesis is to provide with a comprehensive analysis of the project of the European Public Prosecutor's Office from a historical perspective and especially from a perspective of last 4 years. In this context, I point out the side issues such as so called mechanism of yellow card, proposal for a regulation on the Eurojust and the issue of integrating VAT fraud into financial crime.

My rigorous thesis is divided into four main parts. The first part deals with the development of the European cooperation in the field of criminal law and with the historical development and original ideas regarding the establishing of the European Public Prosecutor's Office. In the second part, I outline under what legislative conditions and circumstances was born the idea of the European Public Prosecutor's Office, how the process of adopting the legislative proposal took place and what reasons led to its adoption. In the third part, I deal with the content of the entire legislative package of the Commission to strengthen the protection of the EU's financial interests - in particular with the proposal for a regulation on the Eurojust and the proposal for a regulation on the European Public Prosecutor's Office. In part three, I furthermore describe the negotiations about the European Public Prosecutor's Office in member states and at the European Union level. I also focus on the PIF Directive and, in particular, on VAT fraud in the light of the latest case law of the Court of Justice of the European Union. In the fourth part, I present recently adopted regulation 2017/1939 implementing enhanced cooperation on the establishment of the European Public Prosecutor's Office and, in particular, I point out its fundamental or most problematic provisions. At the end of my rigorous thesis, I outline the schedule of future functioning of the European Public Prosecutor's Office in the European Union and in the Czech Republic.